

Reasons for Allowance

See applicant's remarks filed on 19th October 2009.

Information Disclosure Statement

The information disclosure statement (IDS) submitted on 11th April 2008 is in compliance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97. Accordingly, the information disclosure statement is being considered by the examiner.

Conclusion

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

1. Allison et al, US 5731765 A: mains power distribution network and metering system

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